

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

June 14, 2001

Susan J. Sutherland Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP Four Times Square New York, NY 10036-6522

Re: Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company

Dear Ms. Sutherland:

In regard to your letter of June 5, 2001, our response thereto is attached to the enclosed photocopy of your correspondence. By doing this, we avoid having to recite or summarize the facts set forth in your letter.

Sincerely,

Paula Dubberly Chief Counsel